



General Assembly

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Substitute Bill No. 348

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE LOW-INCOME ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 16a-41b of the 2010 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

4 (a) There shall be a Low-Income Energy Advisory Board which shall
5 consist of the following members: The [Secretary of the Office of Policy
6 and Management or the secretary's designee; the Commissioner of
7 Social Services or the commissioner's designee; the] executive director
8 of the Commission on Aging; a representative of each electric and gas
9 public service company designated by each such company; [the
10 chairperson of the Department of Public Utility Control or a
11 commissioner of the Department of Public Utility Control designated
12 by the chairperson;] the Consumer Counsel or the counsel's designee;
13 the executive director of Operation Fuel; the executive director of
14 Infoline; the director of the Connecticut Local Administrators of Social
15 Services; the executive director of Legal Assistance Resource Center of
16 Connecticut; the Connecticut president of AARP; a designee of the
17 Norwich Public Utility; a designee of the Connecticut Petroleum
18 Dealers Association; and a representative of the community action
19 agencies administering energy assistance programs under contract
20 with the Department of Social Services, designated by the Connecticut
21 Association for Community Action. The Secretary of the Office of

22 Policy and Management, the Commissioner of Social Services and the
 23 chairperson of the Public Utilities Control Authority, or their
 24 designees, shall serve as ex-officio members of the board.

25 (b) The Low-Income Energy Advisory Board shall advise and assist
 26 the Office of Policy and Management and the Department of Social
 27 Services in the planning, development, implementation and
 28 coordination of energy-assistance-related programs and policies and
 29 low-income weatherization assistance programs and policies, shall
 30 advise the Department of Public Utility Control regarding the impact
 31 of utility rates and policies, and shall make recommendations to the
 32 General Assembly regarding (1) legislation and plans subject to
 33 legislative approval, and (2) administration of the block grant program
 34 authorized under the Low-Income Energy Assistance Act, as described
 35 in section 16a-41a, to ensure affordable access to residential energy
 36 services to low-income state residents.

37 (c) [The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the
 38 person designated by the secretary pursuant to subsection (a) of this
 39 section shall be the chairperson of the board.] On an annual basis, the
 40 board shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its
 41 members.

42 (d) [The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall
 43 convene the first meeting of the board not later than August 1, 2005.
 44 The secretary shall provide notice of meetings to the members of Low-
 45 Income Energy Advisory Board, provide space for such meetings,
 46 maintain minutes and publish reports of the board.] The Low-Income
 47 Energy Advisory Board shall be within the Office of Policy and
 48 Management for administrative purposes only.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2010	16a-41b
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